INSTITUTION/ORGANIZATION NAME: UNION COUNTY RECORDS CENTER & ARCHIVES

PROJECT TITLE: REORGANIZATION AND PRESERVATION OF CLERK OF COURT’S RECORDS

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SUMMARY OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The 2011 Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board (OHRAB) 2011 Grant supported in part by an award from the Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board, through funding from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), National Archives and Records Administration allowed the Union County Records Center & Archives to process and organize the following records series:

- Abstract of Votes (1820-1908) 0.3 cubic feet
- Administrator Appointments (1825-1850)
- Auctioneer Records (1833-1963) 0.3 cubic feet
- Automobile Reports (1927-1937)
- Certificates of Registration for Containers (1924-1936)
- Civil Transcripts (1831-1947) 7.0 cubic feet
- Commissions (1830-1840)
- County Commissioners' Reports (1859-1914)
- County Line Survey Reports (1843-1885)
- Court Citations (1839-1850)
- Court Mandates (1869-1918)
- Court Transcripts (Civil, Criminal, Appellate) (1916-1991) 9.0 cubic feet
- Criminal Executions (1861-1874) 0.3 cubic feet
- Deeds (1814-1860)
- Depositions (1900-1933) 1.0 cubic feet
- Estray Records (1882-1902)
- Executions (1820-1915) 5.3 cubic feet
- Guardianship Appointments (1841-1851)
- Hunting Licenses (1915-1917)
- Insanity Case Files (CONFIDENTIAL ORC 5122.31) (1838-1850) 0.3 cubic feet
- Jailor Reports (1843-1844)
- Justice of the Peace Oaths (1838-1953)
- Law Library Association Records (1896-1953)
- Liquor Warrants (1925-1929)
- Marriage Consents (1820-1852)
- Marriage Reports (1856-1860)
- Marriage Returns (1820-1852) 0.6 cubic feet
- Mayor Certificates (1840-1882)
- Memorials (1898-1989)
- Minister Licenses (1820-1843)
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<td>- Mortgages</td>
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<td>- National Guard Rosters</td>
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<td>- Turnpike Directors' Reports</td>
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<td>- Wolf Scalp Records</td>
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Prior to this grant, these record series had been unidentified and spread throughout approximately thirty-six boxes. This grant permitted these records series to be made assessable to the public through identification, organization and sorting of these record series. Only one record series discovered in these previously labeled “miscellaneous” boxes were identified as not being a public record, Insanity Case Files, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 149.43 and 5122.31. It should be noted that the dates for these record series are not all inclusive and that record series that do not have cubic foot approximations beside them measure less 0.3 cubic feet.

Also as part of the grant the following record series contained in bound leather volumes were placed into acid free book boxes to help ensure their future preservation:

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<td>- Supreme Court &amp; District Court Complete Records</td>
<td>(1826-1878)</td>
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These boxes will provide these books with structural support and protection from dust, dirt, light, and other environmental damage. Books of great importance, such as these, merit this protection to ensure their longevity for use by future generations.

Overall the objects of the grant met with effective success. Records that previously existed in random unorganized format with no clear identification, as to record series or date span, have been placed into acid free file folders in document boxes by record series and date. Record requests have already been
made in regards to some of these records – i.e. Poll Books and Tally Sheets and Wolf Scalp Records – and the records have been retrieved in a quick efficient matter, since their reorganization due to this grant. This demonstrates the new found accessibility of these records, since the awarding of this grant. Numerous other materials found to be part of Clerk of Court Case files, found in these “miscellaneous” boxes, that were not filed, were filed into their proper case file and therefore help to complete the case file with filling in previously missing motions, subpoenas and court orders. This grant achieved not only in helping the preservation and accessibility of previously unknown record series, but helped to fill in information into already existing record series and helped with the preservation of historically significant bound volumes – i.e. court journals and complete records. The Ohio Historical Advisory Board grant was the reason that this project was possible and without this grant these records would in all probability still be in their previous inaccessible condition.
### OHRAB 2011 Grant Expense Form

**Salaries and Wages (list items)**

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### Summary Budget

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THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

This is my last President’s Message as my four years as President of the Union County Genealogical Chapter of O.G.S. will be over once we elect a new President on November 19th.

Looking back over this time, I feel I have learned more from this experience than I have been able to transmit to the membership. This is because of the dedicated and knowledgeable group on the Executive Board, and various Chair persons who arranged for interesting and educational programs for the membership meetings.

The November 19th membership meeting will be our election of officers for the next two years. We would welcome nominations from the floor. There are two chair positions open—Pioneer Chair and the Program Chair. Feel free to volunteer for either of these positions. Also, there will be a presentation on Personal Digital Archiving by Mark Middleton.

I’m looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Brian Wade
brianwad@embarqmail.com

It’s that time again. Membership renewals for 2012 are due by December 31. There is a membership form on the last page of every newsletter. Please let us know on your membership form if there has been a change of address or Email address. On the same page there is also an absentee ballot for you to use to vote for officers for the coming two years.
Union County Chapter OGS Officers and Committees

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- Associate – Virginia Smith
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  Send inquiries with a self addressed and stamped envelope to:
  UCCOGS Query Committee
  P.O. Box 438
  Marysville, Ohio 43040
  Non-members get the first query free

UCCOGS News & Tidbits

Welcome! Our newest members are:

- Debbie Roesch, 133 S. Maple St,
  Marysville, OH 43040
  Email: droesch@columbus.rr.com
  No surnames listed.
- Kimberly Conroy, 10181 Watkins Rd,
  Marysville, OH 43040
  Email: kimberly@conroyhome.us
  No surnames listed.
- Phillip & Sarah Connolly, 491 Maranatha Dr,
  Marysville, OH 43040
  Email: phillip@connollyconstruction.com
  No surnames listed.
- Karen Vance, 11678 St. Rt. 736,
  Marysville, OH 43040
  Email: nerak1011@aol.com
  Surnames of interest: Kile, Worthington, Beach, Vance
- Patricia Ortiz, 102 N. Heather Hill Dr,
  Bellefontaine, OH 43311
  Email: pat_orthi@yahoo.com
  Surnames of interest: Davis, Perkins, Powell

Committee openings - We are still looking for volunteers to fill the opening on the Pioneer Committee (chairperson). Additionally, we are in need of a new Program chairperson. Contact Brian Wade at brianwad@embarqmail.com or send a note to Union County Chapter, OGS, P. O. Box 438, Marysville, OH 43040-0438. Duties will start in January 2012. (See Volunteer Duties page 41 in the July-August issue of the Union Echoes.)

Getting it right! They say the third time is a charm. I certainly hope that's true as this is the third time I've published an Email address for Eva Schooley. Please, change her Email to: eva@schooley.us I hope you will all accept my sincere apologies for any inconvenience caused by these errors.

Our presence at the FestiFair-Covered Bridge Festival in Marysville on September 10th generated interest and we gained at least one new member as a result. We were able to answer questions and let folks know they are welcome at any of our meetings even if they aren't a member. And with all of our publications on display those who expressed an interest were able to see at a glance that we can offer things that can't necessarily be found on the Internet.

Library director, Ryan McDonnell, gave permission for us to display our banner on the wall in the genealogy section at the Marysville Library. Many thanks, Ryan! Thanks also go to Patty O'Connor, Head of Adult Services & Reference (and a UCCOGS member), for securing permission from Ryan and to Ron McClone, facilities manager, for hanging it. Having the banner on the wall lets everyone know where our section is located.

The Echoes schedule will be changing in the New Year. After a year spent sending the newsletter at the beginning of each two month period the officers and committee chairs have decided to put it back on the old schedule. So the January-February issue will be mailed during the first week of February; March-April will be mailed the first week of April and so on.
• Dixon Mitchell, died 1869, aged 63 years.
• Jesse Mitchell, the first white child born in Union County, died 1881, aged 81 years.
• Robert Nelson, one of the early pioneers, died 1852, aged 80 years.
• John McDowell, came to the county about 1805, died 1826, aged 64. His wife died in 1861.
• Moses Mitchell came to the county in 1799, died 1863, aged 80 years. His wife, Jane, has a stone marking her grave, but time has obliterated the date of her death. Jemima, his second wife, died 1849, aged 48 years.
• George Mitchell, son of David Mitchell, died 1820, aged 31 years. Margaret, his wife, died 1850, aged 59 years.
• Samuel Mitchell came to the county in 1799, died 1821, aged 54 years. His wife died 1845, aged 66 years.
• Samuel Kirkpatrick came to the county in 1799, died 1824, aged 66 years.
• Samuel McCullough was the first person buried at the cemetery. He died in 1800. There is no stone to mark his resting place and its exact location cannot be determined; but for this fact a stone would have been erected to his memory ere this.
• Rev. James Robinson, the grandfather of Hon. J. W. Robinson and brothers, lies buried here. He died in 1847, aged 78 years. His wife, Mary, died 1854, aged 80 years. Jonathon W. Robinson, father of the Robinson boys, died in 1853, aged 51 years; his wife, Elizabeth, died in 1871, aged 69 years.

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On March 15, 2011, the Union County Records Center and Archives received a grant supported in part by an award from the Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board, through funding from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), National Archives and Records Administration. This grant helped fund a reorganization and preservation project of assorted Clerk of Courts’ records from 1820 to 1992. Below is a listing of the various record series affected by this grant. Some of these items have been discussed in detail in previous newsletters, while others will be the feature of future articles. Not all record series dates are necessarily inclusive or complete:

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Library News

In early October we received a book, compiled by Stephen Badenhop, Union County, Ohio, Civil War Newspaper Abstract (April 1861-June 1866): Marysville Tribune, Union Press, Union County Democrat. The following is extracted from Mr. Badenhop's introduction:

This newspaper abstract indexes correspondence from soldiers, articles about specific military units and war-related activities in the community printed in the Marysville Tribune from the beginning of April 1861 to the end of June 1866, the Union Press for the only three available dates – May 1, 1861, April 9, 1862 and March 4, 1863, and the Union County Democrat from its only available date – March 9, 1864. This extract has a twofold organizational scheme. The first arranges the articles by organization or military unit and therein by military company or subject. The regimental histories are taken from the Official Roster of the Soldiers of the State of Ohio in the War of the Rebellion, 1861-1866 (1893), while the regimental casualties are from Frederick H. Dyer’s A Compendium of the War of the Rebellion (1908).

The biographies about the individual soldiers are a compilation of The History of Union County, Ohio (1883) and the Official Roster. The newspaper related information is divided between letters and articles. The first date is the date of newspaper publication, which is followed by the page and column number, for letters this is then followed by the date the letter was written, if any. The second part of the organizational scheme lists the newspaper letters and articles chronologically by date of newspaper publication giving the name of the soldier, unit, letter date and the page and column number.

In the last issue of the Union Echoes Robert “Bob” Parrot told us about the newly discovered history of York Township (See “The Lost History of York Township,” page 58). Since that article appeared we have been given a spiral bound copy of the book. Two pages of biographical sketches were missing from the 22 page booklet, which is disappointing. However, it is still a wonderful addition to our library. It will be on the shelves for all to use shortly.